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1594 West North Temple, Suite 1210
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Attn: Pam Grubaugh-Littig

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Re: **Miller Canyon Phase III Affidavit of Publication, PacifiCorp, Cottonwood/Wilberg Mine, ACT/015/019, Emery County, Utah**

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PacifiCorp, by and through its wholly-owned subsidiary, Energy West Mining Company ("Energy West") as mine operator, hereby submits a copy of the affidavit of publication for the Miller Canyon Phase III Bond Release. The public notice was published in the Emery County Progress once a week for four (4) consecutive weeks from April 25, 2000 through May 16, 2000.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Dennis Oakley at (435) 687-4825 or myself at (435) 687-4720.

Sincerely,

Charles A. Semborski
Geology/Permitting Supervisor

Encl

Cc: Bill Malencik, DOGM - Price Office
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AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

STATE OF UTAH)

SS.

County of Emery,)

I, Kevin Ashby, on oath, say that I am the Publisher of the Emery County Progress, a weekly newspaper of general circulation, published at Castle Dale, State and County aforesaid, and that a certain notice, a true copy of which is hereto attached, was published in the full issue of such newspaper for 4 (Four) consecutive issues, and that the first publication was on the 25th day of April, 2000 and that the last publication of such notice was in the issue of such newspaper dated the 16th day of May, 2000.



Kevin Ashby - Publisher

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 16th day of May, 2000.



Notary Public My commission expires January 10, 2003 Residing at Price, Utah

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APPLICATION FOR PHASE III BOND RELEASE

COTTONWOOD/WILBERG MINE

ACT/015/019

ENERGY WEST MINING COMPANY

P.O. BOX 310

HUNTINGTON, UTAH 84528

PacifiCorp, by and through its wholly-owned subsidiary, Energy West Mining Company ("Energy West") as mine operator, has filed with the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining an application for partial release of the reclamation performance bond for the Miller Canyon portal breakouts of the Cottonwood/Wilberg Mine.

The Miller Canyon breakouts were located within Federal Coal Lease is U-083066 in the SE1/4 of Section 30, Township 17 South, Range 7 East, SLB&M. Total disturbance associated with the ventilation breakouts is approximately 0.02 acres.

The Miller Canyon ventilation breakouts consisted of three separate portals located on a steep escarpment in Miller Canyon on the western side of East Mountain. On June 25, 1999, Energy West completed final reclamation of the portal sites as specified in the approved plan. Reclamation activities consisted of reconfiguration of the landscape to be consistent with the surrounding environment.

The portals were located in the coal outcrop and talus deposits on a vertical cliff face. As part of PacifiCorp's enhancement project, rock and aesthetically appealing materials were strategically placed along the coal outcrop area to blend the portal site to the surrounding terrain. Ground water discharges that occur from the portal area will be monitored according to the approved plan and Utah Pollution Discharge Elimination System guidelines. Phase I and Phase II bond release requirements have been met.

A Surety bond is posted with the Division for the Cottonwood/Wilberg mine in the amount of \$2,071,098.00. PacifiCorp is requesting Phase III release of reclamation liability. Bond reduction is not requested.

This notice is being published to comply with the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977 and State and Federal regulations promulgated pursuant to said Act.

Written comments or objections may be submitted to: State of Utah Department of Natural Resources, Division of Oil, Gas and Mining, 1594 West North Temple, Suite 1210, Box 145801, Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-5801.

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